



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Pierre CHAMBAT et al.
Appl. No. : 09/832,874
Filed : April 12, 2001
Title : KNEE PROSTHESIS WITH A ROTATIONAL PLATE

Grp./A.U. : 3738
Examiner : Snow, Bruce Edward

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action with respect to non-responsiveness mailed March 28, 2003, applicants hereby submit a new Power of Attorney together with a certificate under C.F.R. 3.73(b) together with a copy of a Notice of Recordation of Assignment with respect to the parent application. Please note that the appointment revokes all previous Powers of Attorney. It would therefore be appreciated if the Examiner would direct all further communication to the newly appointed attorney of Record at the address shown below.

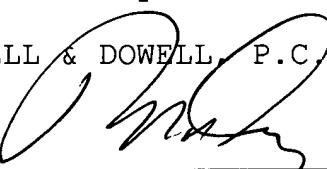
In response to the requirement to indicate to the Examiner of newly submitted claims 71 through 97 fall within the elected species of Group I the following claims are believed to be within the elected group: Claims 71, 72, 76, 77, 95, 96 and 97. Claim 71 is generic.

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Together with this response are the necessary fees required for Extension of Time. Any deficiencies are to be charged to Deposit Account 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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